UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE AT CHATTANOOGA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	COLLIER/CARTER
)	
v.)	CASE NO. 1:09-CR-178-1
)	
JOSEPH ESTEL SLEDGE)	

ORDER

On April 28, 2010, Magistrate Judge William B. Mitchell Carter filed a Report and Recommendation recommending (a) the Court accept Defendant's plea of guilty to the lesser included offense in Count One of the Indictment, conspiracy to manufacture, distribute, and possess with the intent to distribute five (5) grams or more of methamphetamine (actual) or fifty (50) grams or more of a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(a)(1), and 841(b)(1)(B) in exchange for the undertakings made by the government in the written plea agreement; (b) the Court adjudicate Defendant guilty of the charges set forth in the lesser included offense in Count One of the Indictment; (c) that a decision on whether to accept the plea agreement be deferred until sentencing; and (d) Defendant shall remain in custody pending sentencing in this matter (Court File No. 111). Neither party filed an objection within the given fourteen days. After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. Accordingly, the Court ACCEPTS and ADOPTS the magistrate judge's report and recommendation pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and **ORDERS** as follows:

- (1) Defendant's plea of guilty to the lesser included offense in Count One of the Indictment, in exchange for the undertakings made by the government in the written plea agreement, is ACCEPTED;
 - (2) Defendant is hereby **ADJUDGED** guilty of the charges set forth in the lesser included

offense in Count One of the Indictment;

- (3) A decision on whether to accept the plea agreement is **DEFERRED** until sentencing; and
- (4) Defendant **SHALL REMAIN IN CUSTODY** pending sentencing on **Thursday, August**

5, 2010, at 9:00 am.

SO ORDERED.

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CURTIS L. COLLIER
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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